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Mr. Ted Duaime Project Manager/Hydrogeologist 1300 West Park Street Butte, MT 59701

Re: Comments on the Butte Mine Flooding Operable Unit/ Butte Priority Soils Operable Unit, Private Well Monitoring Program, Quality Assurance Project Plan (dated May 2019)

Dear Ted:

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in consultation with the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), is approving the *Private Well Monitoring Program, Quality Assurance Project Plan (dated May 2019)* with the following comments:

- Please add the signature page and crosswalk to the 2019 QAPP and redistribute.
- At a minimum, the plan must be reviewed and updated annually, and resubmitted to EPA for review and approval.
- If the content or the technical approach provided in the plan has changed or requires modification between annual reviews, please submit the revised plan to EPA for review and approval.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at (406) 457-5019.

Sincerely,

Nikia Greene

Remedial Project Manager

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Attachment:

Signature Page Approved Crosswalk

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